The motion was adopted.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: We shall now take up clause-by-clause consideration of the Bill.

Clauses 2 to 87 were added to the Bill.

Clause 1, the Enacting Formula and the Title were added to the Bill.

SHRI MURASOLI MARAN: I beg to move:

"That the Bill be passed."

SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: I raised a point about police officers. I don't want the hon. Minister to amend it at the moment. I have only said that the DSPs have been given such powers. Will you please look into it? Also have a look at the powers given to civil courts. What is this? These are the only two points. I am only suggesting that the Minister may look into them at a later stage.

SHRI MURASOLI MARAN: Definitely, I will look into them, Madam.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The question is:

That the Bill be passed.

The motion was adopted.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Today, we took 45 minutes for the half-an-Hour Discussion and half-an-hour for the one-hour Bill. So, we have balanced the time.

Re. Demand for probe into clandestine delivery of Gen. Pervez Musharraf's letter to Hurriyat Leader lodged in Jodhpur Jail

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: There is something. The other day, Dr. Manmohan Singh raised a concern about a letter of the Pakistani Dictator, Gen. Musharraf, which reached the Jodhpur jail. For that the Home Minister promised on the floor of the House that he would come back with the information and clarify it. So, please don't consider this to be a statement. It is not a *suo motu* statement. So, there will be no clarification on it. It is just information that he wants to share with the House.

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): Madam Deputy Chairman, the Leader of the Opposition had raised this

matter on the basis of a news item published in a newspaper, and I assured the House that I would seek the necessary information and come back to the House. We have made enquiries from the Rajasthan Government. The Rajasthan Government has informed us that it is not yet clear as to what exactly has happened. But, they have asked Shri Kalyanmal Sharma, Director (Jails), who is a DIG- level IPS officer, to enquire into the matter. The Rajasthan Government has also informed us that the Hurriyat prisoners, who are detained in the Jodhpur Central Jail, are permitted to meet their relatives or their counsel twice a week. This is the information that the Rajasthan Government has given us. If, after enquiry, the Rajasthan Government gives us any further information, I will certainly share it with the House.

I may inform the House that the Pakistan TV itself had publicised this matter that Gen. Parvez Musharraf had written a letter to the Hurriyat leader expressing concern and complimenting them for the struggle they are waging against the Government of India etc. etc. If, however, any further information is forthcoming, after the inquiry is made by the Rajasthan Government, I will share it with the House. Thank you.

Clarifications on Statement by Minister Re. Accident at Indira Gandhi International Airport on 13th December, 1999

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: A statement was made by the Minister of Civil Aviation. Clarifications could not be sought then. Are you keen to have the clarifications now? Reports about the action taken by the hon. Minster have already appeared in the newspapers. Do you still wish to seek clarifications?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Yes.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I have got some names. Shrimati Jayuanthi Natarajan, Shri Ramaswamy, Shri Suresh Pachouri, Shri Md. Salim. They are not present in the House. Shri Bratin Sengupta is here in the House.

श्री बलवन्त सिंह रामूवालिया (उत्तर प्रदेश) : मैडम, मेरा नाम भी था ।

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